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WASHINGTON.

A Complete List of President Grant's Cabinet Officers.

How the Inaugural and Cabinet Appointments are Received.

Organization of the House Completed.

Bills Introduced in the Senate to Repeal and Modify the Tenure-of-Office Act.

Sherman Promoted to the Rank of General, and Sheridan to that of Lieut. General.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.
WASHINGTON, March 5.
GRANT'S CABINET.

The following is Grant's Cabinet:
Secretary of State—Elihu B. Washburne, of Illinois.
Secretary of the Treasury—Alexander T. Stewart, of New York.
Secretary of the Navy—Adolph E. Borie, of Pennsylvania.
Secretary of the Interior—Jacob D. Cox, of Ohio.
Attorney General—Ebenezer Rockwood Hoar, of Massachusetts.
Postmaster General—John A. J. Cresswell, of Maryland.
No Secretary of War named.

The Senate confirmed the entire Cabinet in a body five minutes after their names were read, and also proceeded to consider and take action on other Executive business.

The announcement of the Cabinet has caused a great commotion. What politicians style civil service reform is thought by those not politicians to be rather flagrant at finding the advice of old political leaders ignored; but whatever may be the cause, there is great dissatisfaction expressed with the Cabinet on the whole, though with the exception of the appointment of Borie they gain right. Office-seekers are not pleased with the choice made, consequently the appointments of only two will be made to-day.

With the exception of Judge Hoar, of Massachusetts, for Attorney General, and Borie, of Philadelphia, for Secretary of the Navy, the persons selected are well known to the country. The appointment of Judge Hoar is a surprise, as he is not a politician, and will be cordially received by every Whig and Republican stage in the country.

SECRETARY BOUTE.

Mr. Boutwell is a prominent merchant, a man of ability, of the strictest integrity, of high standing, of wealth and culture, and has been for years a leading member of the Massachusetts Legislature, of Philadelphia. He is not an active politician, he has always taken a lively interest in questions of the day. He is a pronounced Republican, and has given large sums to further the interests of that party in Pennsylvania. Politically Mr. Borie has been a pronounced, though not decisive of the Republican party there is just as the other has not for the last 4 Cabinet meetings. Mr. Borie, to-day, will be a Cabinet officer, say the appointment in one of the best that could have been made from that State.

Mr. Cox, the Secretary of the Interior, is considered virtually as complimentary, as his predecessor and called to the opinion that he will not decline the honor. It is also understood that he has partially made his arrangements to go West.

SECRETARY STEWART.

Politics is generally do not like the appointment of Stewart. Those who support Grant in it on the ground that the duties of the office of Secretary of Internal Revenue, means defeat of the whisky ring and all kindred speculators.

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In relation of Governor Cox, of Ohio, for the office given very general satisfaction. In Ingersoll's unanimously except with those who opposed the course of the late Mr. Johnson broke with the Republican party, and who are not very much enthusiastic to him to do the work expected of him in breaking down the land speculators and whisky rings.

POSTMASTER GENERAL CRESWELL.

The choice of ex-Senator Creswell, of Maryland, for Postmaster General, is also a most satisfactory one. His native fitness is not questioned. He is a leader of the name Republicans of his State, and is entitled to the appointment of his claim here by a very unfavorable character.

THE INDIAN BILL.

Mead in the Senate yesterday: The House agreed to a conference asked by the Senate, and to conference agreed to congress, and all being appointed on the part of the Senate Agent Indian affairs.

The Senate has appointed a young man named by as his messenger. He is a son of the Hon. Benjamin Clark of this State.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

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The appearance at army headquarters to-day, of the President-elect, was the occasion of a very enthusiastic demonstration.

THE NATIONAL BANK BILL.

Discussion on the National Bank bill filled the House to-day. It is understood that only very slight changes should be radicalfreed, while the main features will be left to the position taken by the body.

GROUND AT THE CAPITOL.

The Capitol building was more thronged to-day than it has been since the session, within ten days when it will be shut of it has been open. The chief attraction was at the Senate, where the crowd expected to see the President-elect, upon announcing the Cabinet, but of none as received. The Senate cabinet have never been so closely packed, and expected to be, when the Cabinet was confirmed. Gen. Grant delivered the long expected documents at the door of the Senate. The whole crowd leaned across forward to see him, as messages was taken up to be read, most of them expecting it would be announced and thoroughly disappointed when the President-elect left the Senate Chamber without saying a word to them. Mr. Edmonds moved to go into executive session, and the motion passing the doors were closed and the scene at an end.

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SUBSCRIPTION TERMS:

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1869.

LONDON.

The New Parliament.

The Alabama and Her English Owners.

American Curiosities in England ---Reverdy Johnson and the Siamese Twins.

Americans on the Continent.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Feb. 15.

THE BAT QUESTION.

It is curious to observe the nervousness and trepidation which suit the faces of the new members of the House of Commons. They have tried to master the numerous and intricate questions, as to which they may be called upon to vote, but they may do so and stop they may not do so, and nevertheless blunder after blunder is committed. For instance, you may wear your hat as long as you like while you are in your seat, but it you stand up with it on your head, there is immediately a shout. I have this week seen a poor country gentleman overwhelmed by this sort of wholesale chaff. He turned to the right and to the left in dismay, but the inexorable "Order! Order!" interposed with increased energy on each occasion. A friendly neighbor at last motioned to his car that he must remove his hat. Under the circumstances many people would have felt offended, but this gentleman only smiled and bowed as he put his hat on the bench behind him. Then he leaned back in his seat as they resume the chamber, and soon stood up to speak, at intervals, with his hat on his head. Then he sat down, no doubt, by the liberty allowed at the clubs. In every other place where gentlemen meet in London, I believe, you might shout to your heart's content and no one would say you nay. Members are eating a meal, uncovers himself, put in the little knife-like stroll about the dining-rooms as they would about the streets—only scrambling for all unchanged what things are themselves at their ease.

This last question in Dublicous times has led to many disturbances and quarrels; but it is merely an affair of manner in the case referred to. Practical, however, that what the difficulties apply to the Queen's speech and the answer to it. Constantly in the Speaker, some of the Radical members kept their hats on, while every one else showed the respect due to the Queen by holding the hat in hand; and thus Fenpence was intended to be in some way a political demonstration.

EARLY HOURS—THE ALABAMA.

What a change has come in the Parliament towards the United States! Every allusion is respectful and most friendly. The Southern sympathizers are completely overwhelmed, and the Irish Fenian element is scarcely heard of. Even the Alabama question has ceased to be a party question. It is now a question of national honor, and the Government will be forced to demand compensation for the depredations of the Alabama and her consorts. Mr. Gladstone has declared that he will not consent to arbitration, and that he will not consent to arbitration, and that he will not consent to arbitration, and

A REMARKABLE SUIT.

WASHINGTON.

Proceeding by a Widow Against Her Dead Husband's Mother.

Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars' Worth of Property at Issue.

Extraordinary Statements by the Daughter-in-Law.

Contents of the Bill.

A bill was exhibited yesterday in the Circuit Court of this county, which promises a fund of excitement and litigation, second only to that which, for fifty-two years, has kept the Dickinson case before the public. The case does not, however, need a second to make it remarkable. It is the case of a mother being sued by her daughter-in-law for a part of the estate of a man who, if not a millionaire, was at the time of his death in very comfortable circumstances. The bill suggests that pay by the current rate of interest for the use of money is a matter entirely of wrong-doing.

The parties to the proceeding are Margaret Peck, executrix, and Clarence D. Peck, respondent. The former was the wife of Francis Peck, formerly resident at No. 10 Bedford avenue, who died Wednesday, the 9th day of June, 1880, leaving to his widow—by a will executed December, 1879—the bulk of his property, which, according to the testimony, was estimated to be of the value of about $100,000, although it is claimed in this proceeding that it was worth a much larger sum. The will, which was executed in the usual form, contained no special provisions. The complainant says that, inasmuch as she was very young, of the age only of twenty-one years, at the time of the marriage of her husband, Clarence D. Peck, the son of Clarence D. and Frances Peck, the latter being then very ill, and not expected to live with him, as he was, but without the performance of any formality or marriage. At that time Clarence D. Peck, the father, urged the attorney to prepare a will for him, but the latter refused to do so, saying that he was not in a fit condition to make a will. Mary Peck, however, urged some one else to do so, and the parties in the employ of the attorney went to the house of Clarence D. Peck, the father, and drew up a will, which was executed by the latter. The complainant says that Clarence D. Peck, the father, was not of sound mind, and was incapable of making a will, and that the will was executed by him under the influence of undue influence exercised by his wife, Mary Peck, and by the attorney and his employés. The complainant says that Clarence D. Peck, the father, died on the 9th day of June, 1880, and that the will was admitted to probate on the 15th day of June, 1880, and that letters testamentary were issued to Margaret Peck, the executrix named in the will. The complainant says that Clarence D. Peck, the father, was not of sound mind, and was incapable of making a will, and that the will was executed by him under the influence of undue influence exercised by his wife, Mary Peck, and by the attorney and his employés. The complainant says that Clarence D. Peck, the father, died on the 9th day of June, 1880, and that the will was admitted to probate on the 15th day of June, 1880, and that letters testamentary were issued to Margaret Peck, the executrix named in the will.

THE COURTS.

Yesterday's Proceedings.

UNITED STATES COURTS.

In the case, reported as an intra-pesterday, of Main & Co., of Baltimore, v. George Miller & Co., to recover the value of a bundle of oysters, the plaintiff withdrew a juror.

George A. Kibbe, jr., Robert Main, Reginald Heber Smith, Thomas Wilson, Alexander Brown, William F. Gary, Christopher C. Massey, Richard Gittings, and Charles Gittings, all of Baltimore county, were admitted to practice in this court.

In the case of R. Shoal et al. v. Baker, A. Carr, et al. Same order.

CIRCUIT COURT—EQUITY.

Discharged—James Herbert, of Chicago.

New Proceeding—Payne Fish, of Nantucket (Mass.).

CIRCUIT COURT.

The argument of case of Jacob Hershberger against the Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company was resumed.

LAW ISSUE.

Philander W. Stockton, Attorney-at-Law, and John Jervis Arnold, etc., Damages, $1,500. Verdict for plaintiff for $1,500. Judgment. Assistant, Judge, $2,000.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Isaac Dalby et al. v. Joseph W. Biddle, executor of Alfred L. Pennock, deceased, et al. Bill to construe Pennock's will. Complainants' counsel argued. Demurrer.

Jacob Higgins v. Frank B. Marshall. As equity case. Order of reference to Master in Equity.

Same v. Same. Order of reference to Master in Equity.

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Same v. Same

THE RUM FIEND.

Chicago Again Scourged by the Destroying Element.

Awful Carnival of Conflagration and Catastrophe.

Appalling Disaster at the Corner of Washington and Canal Streets.

Sixth-Lurch into the Burning Building---Four Firemen Consumed in the Flames.

Miraculous Escapes---Narratives of the Survivors.

Fireman Clings by his Teeth and Hands to a Telegraph Wire and is Saved.

No Fire Alarms Within Seven Hours.

Destruction of Property to the Value of $109,300.

Graphic Details.

THE GREAT DISASTER.

It right was a wild night, the wildest of the year. The wind blew a steady gale from the west, and on its wings came sleet and sleet. The way- as he trudged along the streets, breasting the storm, or blown now by it, was glad to reach lodge. It was such a night as makes people who sit in cozy parlors, around good fires, and that they are not exposed to the fury of elements, and makes their comforts appear greater by contrast. Perhaps some of their thoughts were of those who were not so favored by fate, as he lay out on the weather yard and the frozen soil, the spray and salt ing the frozen soil, the spray and salt ing the leaves to have a coating of ice. ...nine's eye watched him as ...d dropped from the giddy height ...ing the cornice, then his heart leaped to his throat as the ladder, with a sickening lurch, began to fall. Down it went, and the brave fellow clung to the burning wall, and with an instinct of self-preservation, clutched at the window sill. Then he found himself on the ground, and was helped into the building, with one hand still clinging to the ladder, which had fallen with him. Then he knew that the cornice had given way, and how narrow had been his escape from death.

STATEMENT OF CHARLES MILLER.

Charles Miller, a brother of Fireman Frank and Lodger Company, who was one of the parties rescued from the ruins, gave the following statement to our reporter: The fire was discovered by a ...ment half an hour before the catastrophe took place. With nearly a dozen companions he was ...ing to the scene of conflagration, and others ...ended to various parts of the city. Miller ...ted to the roof of the building by means of ...ders, and, fighting the fierce heat of the ...ing from that quarter. The fire being at ...e best rival, the high wind carrying from the same direction threw the sparks and flames directly into our faces. Thus situated and cut off ...ed we made our way toward the rear with ...eat difficulty, and with an intense ...ety. When we had reached about the centre ...e building, it gave a frightful lurch toward ...vidend, cutting some in two through the roof. ...e instantly set about it, but found that the cut ...not make any headway, owing to the intense heat ...d terrible smoke. Four of our number were ...y scared, and cried out: "Let's get out of this! ...n't get out this! I can't stand it!" and with ...ir words they started for the rear ladder. ...ey at first intended the roof over the rear ...ce, but I saw the ladder was the surest way ...ir eyes. When I left the roof give way I ...ped off the building and, fortunately, with my ...ands and teeth caught a telegraph wire that had ...en run across the building. Clinging partly ...o this and to the building, with one hand on the ...der, I managed to get down to the rear of our ...ilding, where a ladder was raised for my rescue.

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ON NORTH CLARK STREET.

The alarm at 2 minutes past 2 o'clock, corner of Twelfth and Canal streets, was occasioned by the spontaneous combustion of rags and waste in the North Canal Street store. Box No. 36, at the freight depot of the C., R. I. & P. R. R., on the corner of Twelfth and Canal streets was out of order, and consequently no alarm was given from it. The fire, originated on the first floor of the building, which was owned by Joseph Colnert, was totally consumed, and the stock of rags and waste damaged to the extent of $2,000. The building was insured for $1,000, but it could not be ascertained. The fire occurred about 2 o'clock, and was discovered by Patrolman Shelton. The first floor was used as a rag store, and the second story as a dwelling. The building was a badly constructed one, and proved to be a perfect fire-trap. Mr. Shelton succeeded in saving from the flames nearly all the furniture in the second story. The stock in trade has fortunately been insured. There was general excitement in the neighborhood, and the fire-engines were on hand in a few minutes, but owing to the stock before it could be extinguished.

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It is said that misdoviness never comes slowly, and it is hardly in a few words possible to describe the wrath of the fire-fiend. While the engines were being held in check by the ice on the lake, the fire-fiend and his imps—for it looks as if there were several—were busy extending the area of destruction, and from other parts of the city. To recount the day's disasters in the morning, as far as they have been reported, we begin at 3 o'clock. At that hour Mr. Hall's grocery, No. 307 Madison street; at 6.30 p. m., the grocery store of Mr. Morretta, at the corner of Clark and Adams streets; at 7 o'clock, the large establishment of Messrs. Wm. Sparling & Co., on the corner of Canal and Randolph streets; at 8 o'clock, the extensive lumber-yard of Messrs. Hall & Boyington, on the corner of Twelfth and Canal streets; at 9 o'clock, the large warehouse of Messrs. Wm. Sparling & Co., which contained a portion, only, of the large quantity of goods. From various estimates, the total loss will be

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cannot be less than $100,000, of which a small portion of which is covered by insurance. The excitement and confusion attending the fire, and the unceasing efforts to grasp anything of value regarding losses and insurance, have rendered difficult; but subsequently, what figures are in this way given are to be taken as approximate.

LOSSES AND INSURANCE.

Only a few words here. Winslow, Lee & Co., cash, door and blind manufacturers, erected the building, and their own loss, and, if it rules so, the insurance for its construction, and some of the stock on hand, will be paid. The loss of Mr. Hall on the corner of Canal street, and a depth of 150 feet, and comprised Nos. 41 to 47 inclusive. Messrs. Winslow, Lee & Co. had insured, whether or not partly only is fully indemnify them is ascertained. Mr. Hall's loss is covered by insurance. Messrs. Wm. Sparling & Co. also carry a number of risks in the Home Mutual, and Mr. Morretta, who is a widower and has a family of children, will be relieved for by receipts.

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DESMOINES.

Frozen to Death---Another Fire---Judicial Order---Death of Ex-Governor Certain---Evidence---Cold Weather.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 5.

Thos. Parker, a laborer, four miles from Des Moines, was frozen to death last night between ...ome and un-found yesterday standing up in a fence corner stiff and stark in death.

The ...ds are still returning home ...ople to have become reminded by ...ing of the severity of the winter's ...ow which preceded freezing to death, stopped ...ing, and the mercury ten degrees below zero, and the thermometer at a pole. Reliable ...ilities ten hundred yards of a house, and about ...ty miles from its ever home. It was deserted, and ...ains cattle and two children.

Another fire occurred here to-day, in the rear of frame buildings at the corner of Third and Walnut streets, owned by Mr. Hall, the burning of Lyons & Robinson, destroying it, injuring ...ir stock of goods to the amount of $1,000, and ...ses four thousand dollars. No insurance.

Judge Mitchell to-day issued an order, prohibiting the publication in the papers of this city of any and all evidence taken in the case of the ...ple vs. Gen. Geo. G. Wright, now on trial in the ...ict Court of this county, until it is given to the ...ublic before a jury, or in open court.

The alarm from Box 999 at 10.30 last night was ...used by the burning of a frame building ...ated on the 500 South Halsted street. It was owned ...d occupied by Mr. Hall, the lower floor of which was used as a grocery and provision store, and the upper part as a dwelling. The fire originated in the rear portion of the structure, and the ...ames had gained such headway before the alarm was given that the flames to have if entirely within their control, and it was with difficulty that the fire was kept from the ...ocent premises. Origin, Orpo," of the Hose ...ompany, who was ...ONNED ...d that there was no need of going to the roof, and ...d in which it was found. Mr. Hall's loss is reported, "Well, some sleep here. I'll show you the way; please follow me." He ...ded, and he followed him into the building. They reached the top of the ...ck stairs, and the guard left them. They ...ed their way through the ...ke and flames to the ...ond floor, and there found a room occupied by ...ree women and five children. The ...ke was suffocating, and the women were ...ying in the way of themselves and ...ir children whose lives were in danger. ...ll, dreamer would most certainly have been the ...ath of them. The flames were raging in the next ...om, and the vast volume of water poured into ...e room by the firemen added to the danger. In ...pite of all this the firemen continued their weary ...bors, and it was not until some minutes after that they remembered that the remains of four brave ...en were being carried down the stairs. The ...ke was so dense that if one spoke at the foot ...e stairs he could not be heard at the top. ...ey made their way to the roof in the ...ame manner as they came to the basement. Brave ...en have I seen before that day, but never ...ch scenes of heroism. These firemen are brave ...en, and they have proved it on many occasions ...y, they spoke of the poor fellows who had fallen ...ir duty in the same manner as they would have ...ken of their own brothers. Those